UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

NANCY GRACE RITSICK, :

: 3:18-CV-385

Plaintiff,

: (JUDGE MARIANI)

v. : (Magistrate Judge Arbuckle)

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ANDREW SAUL, Commissioner of

Social Security,1

:

Defendant.

ORDER

AND NOW, THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL 2020, upon review of Magistrate Judge

Arbuckle's Report and Recommendation ("R&R") (Doc. 43) for clear error or manifest injustice,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The R&R (Doc. 43) is **ADOPTED** for the reasons set forth therein;
- 2. The Commissioner of Social Security's decision is **VACATED**;
- The case is REMANDED to the Commissioner to conduct a new administrative hearing before a constitutionally appointed ALJ other than the ALJ who presided over Plaintiff's first hearing;
- 4. Judgment is entered in favor of Plaintiff and against the Commissioner of Social Security.
- 5. The Clerk of Court is directed to **CLOSE** this case.

_s/ Robert D. Mariani
Robert D. Mariani
United States District Judge

¹ Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(d), Andrew Saul, the current Commissioner of Social Security, replaces former Commissioner Nancy A. Berryhill as the Defendant to this action.